Thus in just two generations, Western man produced views of life that reflect this regression: "God, an absolute higher moral law, man's innate sinfulness and accountability"—to "God, a 'misunderstood' moral law, man's innate goodness"—to "man is his own god, absolute moral law does not exist, no one is accountable except to himself." At this rate, in just a few more generations, Western man will be, metaphorically at least, swinging from the vines of the jungle in a reversal of his favorite explanation of his existence.